



**TAPE RECORDING**

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**RCA VICTOR**

*"Flight Line"*

**TAPE CARTRIDGE  
RECORDER**



**THE MOST TRUSTED NAME IN SOUND**



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## WELCOME TO THE WORLD OF TAPE

Congratulations on the purchase of your new RCA Victor "Flight Line" Tape Cartridge Recorder. As millions of tape fans can attest, this is an investment that will repay you with untold hours of enjoyment.



We urge you not to let the bloom of enthusiasm wither if your first recording efforts are somewhat less than sensational. Like taking pictures or broiling a steak, tape recording is something of an art, and with a little practice, you'll be getting professional results.

No doubt you already have a number of ideas in mind as to how you are going to use your recorder. In this booklet you'll find suggestions for other uses, both pleasurable and purposeful. But we would be presumptuous if we claimed to have the last word on the subject. Because the tape recorder is such a recent development, its full possibilities have yet to be realized. As your own recording skill increases, you may discover applications as yet unheard of.

No matter what direction your interest takes, however, we can promise you'll find fun and fascination in the art of capturing sound on tape.





## CANDID SOUNDS . . .

Capture memorable moments as they happen

Who doesn't enjoy leafing through the family photo album and recalling fun-filled events of the past? But think how much greater the enjoyment if you could recapture the *sounds* of those events as well. And that's just what your tape recorder enables you to do!

When friends and relatives drop in over the holidays, have your RCA Victor tape recorder ready. The good cheer that fills the air will be "frozen" on tape, a permanent record of a happy occasion.

Birthdays, weddings, anniversaries, graduations, family get-togethers—all these special occasions become extra-special when the tape recorder is on hand to keep the laughter re-echoing across the years. (*Don't make the mistake, however, of just turning on the mike and letting the tape roll. You're likely to wind up with nothing but a lot of unintelligible noise. A little planning beforehand along with judicious microphone placement will yield much better results.*)



Like to sing or play an instrument? Whether it's some good old-fashioned barber-shop harmonizing or a few hot licks by the neighborhood combo, you'll enjoy your musical sessions a whole lot more when you can play them back via the tape recorder.

One of the most satisfying of all tape recorder activities is to compile a sound album of the children growing up. Record their first words . . . recitations of prayers and nursery rhymes . . . voices of their schoolfriends and teachers . . . birthday festivities. Then later, as they grow older, such milestones as the victory celebration after the big homecoming game . . . debating team efforts . . . graduation ceremonies—these and many other treasured moments in sound will become literally priceless to you as the years go by.

## TAPE RECORDER HOBBIES . . .

A lively new dimension to leisure-time activities

Not only have tape recorders become an important adjunct to existing hobbies (photography, discussion groups, etc.), but they have given rise to several new ones as well. Among the tape recorder hobbies that you may find intriguing are:

### "SOUND" COLLECTING



To many people there is a fascination in sound for its own sake. It's fun to seek out sounds, both familiar and unfamiliar, and capture them accurately on tape. Church bells, locomotives, boat whistles, bird calls—anything that makes a noise is considered fair game to the avid sound collector.

### DRAMA CLUBS



If you have the acting "bug" you'll get a kick out of dramatizing plays on tape. These can be anything from your own original scripts to Shakespeare. To heighten the realism, supplement the actors' voices with sound effects. (A word of caution: Copyrights restrict the use of scripts without permission of the copyright owners.)

### "AUTOGRAPHS" IN SOUND



If you like to collect autographs, why not take your recorder along and have that visiting celebrity say a few words into your mike? It's sure to add a good deal of interest to your collection.

### TAPE DIARY

1962-1972

Wouldn't it be fun ten years from now to recall exactly what you did today? Report your daily activities to your tape recorder, and all the significant events of your life will be preserved in a permanent record that you can play back any time you wish.

### TAPE CLUBS



The past few years have witnessed the formation of many clubs for tape recording fans. Usually the only requirement for membership is an enthusiasm for tape recording. Joining a tape club is a good way to meet new people who share your interests. You'll also find such a club a rich source of ideas on how to improve your recording techniques.





## PARTY FUN . . . .

### Let your tape recorder "break the ice"



The success of your next party is virtually assured if your tape recorder is present and accounted for.

For dancing, you can put the evening's entire musical fare on tape. This not only assures plenty of variety and prevents arguments over what to play next, but also eliminates any chance of damage to your records. Strictly for laughs, you might try interspersing the musical selections with an occasional "commercial" message. The commercials, of course, would be parodies with your guests' names prominently mentioned. Example: "Do you find it hard to get to sleep, friends? Then why not do as world-famous housewife and mother Sally Grace does: Take Naps. Mrs. Grace says, 'I've been taking naps for years. I've discovered that nothing puts me to sleep faster than a Nap.' Remember friends, Naps are guaranteed to make you sleep or your insomnia back. That's N-A-P-S, Naps." In creating these commercials, remember, the wilder and more far-fetched the idea, the better. A room full of talkative guests is no place for subtlety.

Tape recorder games can add zest to your party too. While some require advanced preparation, others can be devised on the spot. You might try one of these games at your next get-together:

**"HIDDEN MIKE"**—This of course is the granddaddy of all tape recorder games. Simply conceal your mike under a chair or table, and let the recorder eavesdrop. It's a good idea to have a confederate who knows about the recording. His duty is to keep the conversation going by asking leading questions of the unsuspecting guests. Otherwise you're apt to get long stretches of nothing but dead silence.

**"MYSTERY VOICE"**—Take each guest individually into a private room, and have him or her make a recording in a disguised voice. If possible, the words spoken should contain a clue as to

the person's identity. Then give each guest a paper and pencil and play back the recordings. The one who identifies the most voices correctly is the winner.

**"MUSIC MEMORY CONTEST"**—Before the party, record portions of popular songs from your record collection or off the air. Be sure to preface each taped selection with a number, and list these numbers on slips of paper for your guests' use. Their task is to identify the titles of the songs. To make the game tougher, you can require them to guess the name of the band or vocalist as well.

**"NAME THAT SOUND"**—In this quiz game, guests listen to tape recorder sounds and are asked to guess what they are. It's amazing how even such familiar things as an egg frying are hard to identify by their sound alone.

**"TAPE A STORY"**—This game gives guests a chance to exercise their imaginations. Select a basic story theme, and the names of the characters. Then have each guest leave the room and record a "chapter" of the story in turn. Each narrator must stop in the middle of a sentence. The beginning of that sentence is the only clue he gives the next narrator as to what went before. Needless to say, the plot convolutions apt to result from such a story-telling technique should provide some hilarious moments.

**"THE MISLEADING INTERVIEW"**—Handled properly, this one can have them rolling in the aisles. Volunteers are invited to audition for interviews in a special room apart from the other guests. The idea is to ask the "victim" seemingly innocuous questions about a commonplace subject, "How to boil cabbage," for example. Before the tape is played back, however, you erase that section of tape containing the words "How to boil cabbage" and substitute something like "How to bathe a baby."



## LEARNING IS MORE FUN

(and easier too!)

The tape recorder's value as an educational aid is daily being confirmed in schools throughout the country. There's no reason why you can't use it to equally good effect right in the home.

Like to learn a foreign language? The tape recorder is ideal for checking your pronunciation and your reading skill. You can also tape vocabulary lists and listen to them when you're occupied with some routine task.

Music students—voice or instrument—can get an objective evaluation of their efforts simply by playing back tape recordings of their practice sessions. And the same is true of those interested in public speaking.

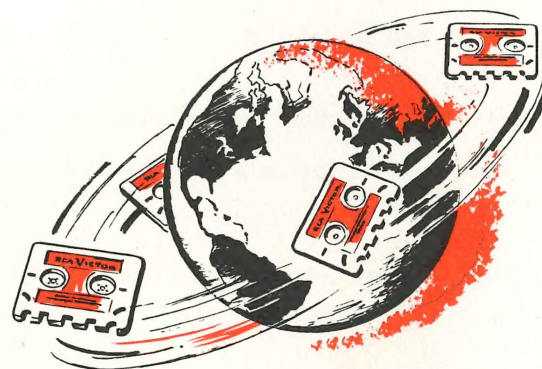
Actually the tape recorder can be a help to you in studying almost any subject. Many students like to transcribe their classroom notes each day onto tape. Such a tape makes excellent review material when audited before exams.



## TAPE YOUR LETTERS . . .

An exciting new way to correspond

If you're one of those people who hate to write letters, you'll welcome the idea of tape letters with open arms. Nothing could be more pleasant than sitting down and telling your distant friends or relatives about your activities—nothing, that is, except perhaps *receiving* a tape letter. Almost as if by magic, your loved ones are there in the room with you, though physically they may be on the other side of the world. And the RCA Victor tape cartridge makes recording and mailing easier than ever.





## MANY OTHER USES TOO



A cascading waterfall . . . the cricket's friendly chirp . . . the heart-stirring crescendo of a mighty symphony orchestra—if you can hear it, you can put it on tape, given a power source nearby. It is this extraordinary versatility of the tape recorder that explains its appeal to people in all walks of life. And because the tape recorder is so versatile, its uses are as varied as the sounds that fill the air.

Consider these for example:

- Build up a music library of tapes from radio, television and disc recordings.
- Save wear and tear on favorite records by putting them on tape. This is especially advisable for "collector's items" that would be irreplaceable, such as old 78 rpm discs.
- Tape church sermons for playback to shut-ins.
- Tape bedtime stories for the kiddies (particularly useful when you're leaving them in the care of a baby-sitter).
- Let your tape recorder serve as secretary at your club meetings.
- Tape recipes and other "how to" instructions.
- Use the tape recorder as a home message center for all members of the family.

You'll probably think of dozens of other uses for your RCA Victor Tape Cartridge Recorder. Use it often, and get more fun out of life!



## RCA VICTOR TAPE CARTRIDGE RECORDING LOG

CARTRIDGE SIDE TRACK NUMBER	COUNTER READINGS OR ESTIMATED TIME	SUBJECT: DATE, NAMES, EVENTS, ETC.	CARTRIDGE NO.





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